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# DEATH RULED A HOMICIDE

**Robert Dziekanski holds a small table at the Vancouver Airport before being Tasered by police in this image from video. The B.C. Coroners Service says the death of Polish immigrant Dziekanski in an altercation with RCMP officers six years ago was a homicide. Homicide is considered a neutral term in coroners' reports and does not apportion blame. Story, page 3.**

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# Clark tied for least popular premier: Poll

**Sign of what's to come?** With elections just a month away, both NDP and Green leaders have higher approval ratings

It's a good thing B.C. Premier Christy Clark doesn't believe in poll results.

Clark is the least popular premier in Canada, with an approval rating of just 25 per cent, according to the latest Angus Reid poll released Monday.

"You know what I think about polls — I don't think they tell us much about how people are going to vote," Clark told reporters when asked if the poll concerned her, during a news conference regarding seismic upgrades at a Vancouver elementary school.

Clark tied for last place with Newfoundland and Labrador Premier Kathy Dunderlee, while Saskatchewan Premier Brad Wall won the popularity contest with a 64 per cent approval rating.

Clark's approval rating dropped six per cent since December and is three per cent lower than it was last August.

B.C. NDP Opposition Leader Adrian Dix, however, enjoyed approval ratings of 49 per cent, followed by Green Party Leader Jane Sterk, with 32 per cent, and Conservative leader John Cummins, with 20 per cent.

Respondents also disapproved of Clark more than Dix, with disapproval ratings of 67 per cent and 40 per cent respectively.

The online survey of 7,091 randomly selected adults was conducted from March 11 to 23 and has a margin of error of 1.2 per cent 19 times out of 20.

Angus Reid accurately predicted the outcome of B.C.'s May 2009 provincial election.

With the provincial election one month away, both the NDP and the Liberals are ratcheting up their television advertising campaigns this week.

The NDP started running 30-second clips using footage of Dix talking about "positive" politics earlier this year.

The Liberals will spend about $100,000 to air a 30-minute program talking about the details of their plan on Global TV Sunday night at 7 p.m. Clark wants to address people without a media filter, she said.

Though the polls didn't paint a bright future for the Liberals, more than 1,800 people were expected to attend a party fundraiser in Vancouver Monday night.

The premier's gala dinner "raised more money than any fundraiser in the history of this party," developer and co-chair Bob Rennie said in a statement. EMILY JACKSON/METRO

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## Coroner. Dziekanski death at hands of RCMP was homicide

The BC Coroners Service says the death of Polish immigrant Robert Dziekanski in an altercation with RCMP officers at Vancouver's airport six years ago was a homicide.

In coroners' reports homicide is considered a neutral term meaning the death was caused by the actions of another person; it does not imply any blame.

Dziekanski, 40, who did not speak English, became agitated after spending more than nine hours wandering in the airport arrivals area in October of 2007 and was confronted by four Mounties who stunned him several times with a Taser.

The incident was captured on amateur video, which fuelled public anger and prompted the government to order a public inquiry headed by former judge Thomas Braidwood.

The coroner's report says Dziekanski died of a heart attack after the Taser jolts, echoing a similar conclusion made in Braidwood's report.

"The finding of Mr. Justice Braidwood was that Mr. Dziekanski died as a result of a cardiac arrhythmia," said coroner Patrick Cullinane.

"He also found that both the multiple deployments of the conducted energy weapon along with the physical altercation contributed to the circumstance leading to the fatal arrhythmia. I concur with the findings of Mr. Justice Braidwood," Cullinane wrote.

His report also found no other factors in the death, including drugs. THE CANADIAN PRESS

TransLink mayors' council chair Richard Walton and Minister of Transportation Mary Polak speak to the media in the Metrotown SkyTrain station in Burnaby on Monday. ERIC DREGER/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# At the crossroads

**TransLink.** Liberals renew old promise to find new funding streams for the regional transportation authority

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Two and a half years after the province signed an agreement to find new funding sources for TransLink, Transportation Minister Mary Polak announced she will work with the mayors to deliver some recommendations by this September.

In September 2010, then-premier Gordon Campbell signed a memorandum of understanding with the TransLink mayors' council to find new revenue streams besides existing property taxes, gas taxes and fares.

Since then the Liberals have only signed off on hikes to fares and the gas tax, forcing TransLink to scrap its plans to expand service hours to keep pace with the region's growing demand for transit. Meanwhile, Surrey and Vancouver have been ever more loudly calling for additional funding for major new infrastructure projects.

"What is likely to happen is a range of different revenue opportunities, some of which might be lowered, raised — those are things that we have to consider." Polak said during a press conference Monday in Burnaby.

"It's not likely that you're going to find one silver bullet for funding."

The mayors have repeatedly asked the Liberal government to consider a regional vehicle levy, a regional carbon tax or giving TransLink a portion of provincial carbon-tax revenue, but to date those requests have been denied.

Polak said the working group will consider ways to capture some of the increased property values along major new projects, such as the proposed Broadway corridor rapid-transit line, and whether road pricing could also be an option.

An independent report released last month concluded TransLink's accountability, transparency, responsiveness, and clarity of purpose have all been declining since the province fired its elected board of directors in 2007 and replaced it with an appointed panel of experts. Monday's announcement included a commitment to reconsider that governance model.

Mayors' council chair Richard Walton, who will be working with Polak until the fall — or at least until the provincial election — said Polak is the first minister who has been willing to sit down with the mayors to try to solve the funding crunch.

NDP transportation critic Harry Bains said that if his party wins power he will step in and conduct similar consultations with the mayors on the same timeline, and is committed to changing the transit authority's "dysfunctional" governance model.

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# Charge laid in Christmas Eve homicide

**Party shooting.**
Suspect in slaying of Surrey 'family man' already accused of murder in another case

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Homicide investigators have charged a 22-year-old man in the shooting death of Bradley McPherson, a 28-year-old who his family says made the fatal mistake of standing up to a bully at a Christmas Eve party in Surrey in 2011.

Russell Bidesi, who was also charged last year with allegedly killing Kacey Rogers, 31, in his home two months after McPherson's death, has now been charged with a second count of second-degree murder.

"Bradley ... was not involved in criminal activity and is described by his mom as a fun-loving family man," said Sgt. Jennifer Pound of the Integrated Homicide Investigation Team.

"Bradley's homicide was random, cold and for no other reason than he was in the wrong place at the wrong time."

In a written statement, McPherson's mother Susan Simning described the morning she got a knock on her door and found two of her son's friends outside.

"I asked, 'Where is Brad?' I was told he had been shot and was dead. My screams of anguish and sobs were heard by Brad's younger sister, and she came running from her room to be told her brother was dead," Simning wrote.

"Hours of hell were endured as family and friends were called to our home awaiting details from the police."

She described her son as a protective type who knew the importance of respecting women and said he was doing just that the night he was killed.

"From his hearty laughter to his enormous bear hugs and devotion to family, no parent should suffer the loss of a child, and there will always be an empty spot in our heart," she said.

Pound said other than Bidesi there is no link between McPherson and Rogers' deaths.

Bidesi appeared in court in Surrey Monday afternoon.

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## It's a match. Footprint leads to robbery arrest

An eagle-eyed gumshoe nabbed a man suspected of thieving from a Chilliwack motor-sports store on Saturday morning after matching the gums of his shoe to a footprint left on a quad in the store.

Mounties were called to the business on Yale Road just after 8 a.m. to discover a significant amount of cash and items had been stolen.

"Something an officer noticed was a detailed footwear impression that had been left on the seat of a quad in the store," said Const. Tracy Wolbeck in a statement.

"As police were making patrols in the area of Hocking Avenue and Young Road, an officer observed a man wearing a bright jacket that could have been associated to the break-and-enter."

The officer stopped the man, checked the soles of his boots and found they matched the impression on the quad seat. The man was arrested and police were able to return almost all of the items and cash that had been stolen.

The 38-year-old suspect remains in custody and appeared in court on Monday.

KATE WEBB/METRO

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**Case revived**

### Murder alleged in toddler's death

A murder charge has been laid in the death of a two-year-old boy in the Victoria area five years ago.

Noah Cownden was found dead on April 9, 2008.

His death was initially deemed suspicious, but police said later they were no longer involved in the case because there were no criminal aspects.

But the Vancouver Island Integrated Major Crime Unit announced on Monday that 29-year-old Bradley Streiling has been charged with second-degree murder.

Police are not commenting on any specifics of the case. The cause of death is unknown.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Lilgert trial. Ferry officer sailed past sinking spot 800 times, court hears

Karl Lilgert had sailed past Sainty Point almost 800 times from 1990 to 2006, the corporate-records manager for B.C. Ferries told court Monday.

But in the early morning of March 22, 2006, while Lilgert was serving as officer in charge of navigation, the Queen of the North missed a turn near the point and collided into Gil Island, forcing about 100 passengers to be brought to land in rafts and rescue boats.

In the years after the ferry sank and two missing passengers, Gerald Foisy and Shirley Rosette, were presumed dead, Tara Les Strange was asked to prepare a diagram showing how many times Lilgert worked on a vessel that passed the point from 1990 until the sinking.

Les Strange used payroll records and log books to reveal that Lilgert worked 2,176 days during those years, 795 of which he was on a boat that passed Sainty Point — either the Queen of Prince Rupert or the Queen of the North.

The Crown argues Lilgert was criminally negligent in the 2006 sinking of the Queen of the North.

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## Part-owner of Canucks. Aquilini patriarch accused of conspiracy, intimidation in land deal

TYLER HARBOTTLE
The Canadian Press
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The former owner of a multi-million-dollar B.C. property has filed suit against Luigi Aquilini, claiming the patriarch of the family that owns the Vancouver Canucks played a role in forcing the sale of the property at a "gross undervalue" in 2011.

The lawsuit alleges that Aquilini, part-owner of the hockey team and founder of the multibillion-dollar Aquilini Investment Group, conspired to force Julie Gill, the owner of the Mission property, to sell her land for millions of dollars less than its value.

The parcel of land in question is near the Mission Golf and Country Club on the Lougheed Highway and was protected by the Agricultural Land Commission, a provincial Crown agency that restricts development of farmland.

Gill, through her company Illahae Dairy Farms Ltd., originally intended to sell the land to a numbered company controlled by Glen Bury, who is also named in the lawsuit.

None of the allegations in the lawsuit, filed in B.C. Supreme Court last week, have been tested in court and a statement of defence has not yet been filed.

For the full story, visit metronews.ca

Premier Christy Clark talks to Grade 5 students at Lord Tennyson Elementary in Vancouver on Monday. Clark announced the province will spend $584 million to upgrade 45 schools at high risk of earthquake damage. EMILY JACKSON/METRO

# Province funds seismic upgrades at 45 more schools

### Quake preparation. But 102 high-risk schools still have no funding

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Schools that could crumble if a major earthquake hits B.C. are set to get safer.

The province will spend $584 million to seismically upgrade 45 schools at high risk of destruction if the major quake predicted by experts shakes B.C., Premier Christy Clark announced at Vancouver's Lord Tennyson Elementary on Monday.

The money, committed by the treasury board in 2011, is part of the B.C. Liberals' goal to seismically upgrade all schools by 2020 in case disasters like the ones that hit Japan or New Zealand happen closer to home.

"We live in an active earthquake zone so we have to make sure we are ready just in case something like that happens here," Clark said to a crowd of Grade 5 students before joining them in an earthquake drill.

Renovations to two-thirds of B.C.'s problem schools have been completed, are under construction or have been supported by the program, Clark said. This round of upgrades is slated to be done by 2016.

But even with the extra millions and the approximately $1.6 billion already committed or spent so far, 102 high-priority schools still have no funding whatsoever.

Twenty-six of those schools are in Vancouver.

"This is a big chunk, this is a step forward," Vancouver School Board chair Patti Bacchus said. "But we do need to accelerate the pace. One of the challenges of seismic safety is we don't know when the deadline is."

The VSB asked for $850 million for upgrades in its district alone, but it has to compete for funding with 37 districts affected by earthquakes, as well as big-ticket items like transit and health care, Bacchus said.

Replacing a school is often cheaper than an upgrade, but many Vancouver residents have fought to preserve the heritage of high-risk schools such as Strathcona Elementary.

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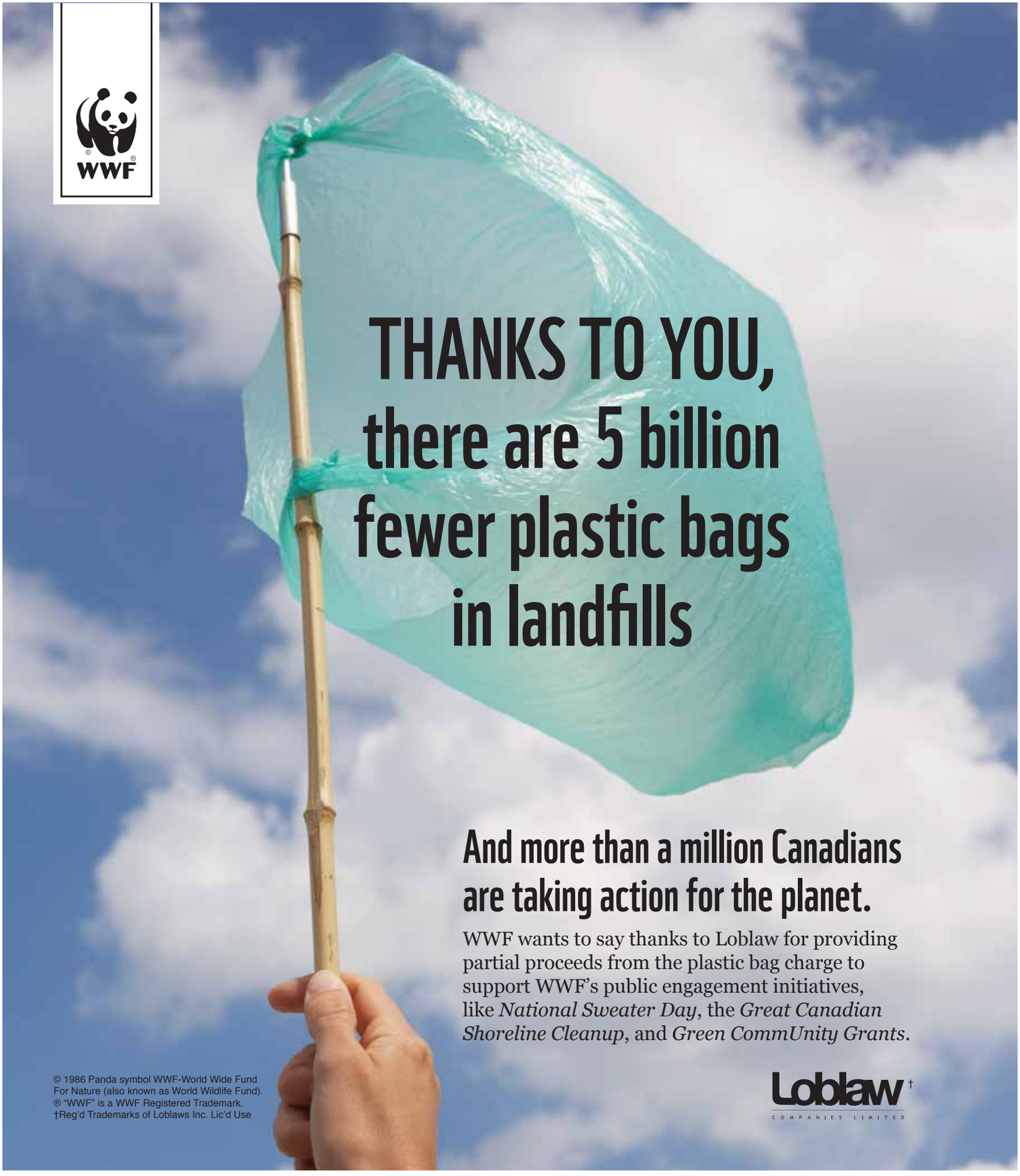
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# Girls plead not guilty to pimping other girls

**Trial begins.** Teens accused of running child prostitution ring with threats, violence

JESSICA SMITH
Metro in Ottawa

The youngest victim of a prostitution trafficking ring, then 13, believed she was heading to a sleepover with girls, not much older than herself, who she'd met online — but instead she was drugged, stripped, photographed and pimped out, the Crown alleges.

Crown lawyers began arguing their case Monday against three teenage girls, two aged 15 and one 16 when they allegedly ran a prostitution ring in Ottawa last year.

All three pleaded not guilty to 36 charges, including human trafficking, forcible confinement, assault, robbery and uttering threats.

They are the first minors in Canada to be charged with human trafficking.

Two of the defendants are facing more charges, including three counts of making child pornography for allegedly taking photos of the victims and sending them to johns, as well as kidnapping, invitation to sexual touching and sexual assault.

The Youth Criminal Justice Act prevents the identification of the accused and their alleged victims.

Crown lawyers Julien Lalande and Fara Rupert said their case will be built on the testimony of victims; some of the pimps; witnesses whom the girls talked to; as well as Facebook conversations, tweets and photos taken from the phone of one of the accused.

The Crown believes the accused befriended other girls, invited them to social events and then, through threats and violence, forced them to co-operate with their plans.

According to the Crown, four girls, three of them under the age of 18, were forced to perform sex acts, including oral and vaginal sex. Two other girls were beaten, stripped and photographed, the Crown alleges.

**Into their world**

**The first witness, Det. Carolyn Botting, offered a glimpse into the accused girls' world when she described the graffiti officers found when they searched one of their bedrooms.**

- **Graffiti.** All over the walls were rap-inspired nicknames, declarations of love and scattered phrases, including "Sex is like chocolate," "We say FK the police in my house," "Money make me come" and "Jiiizzzz" — slang for ejaculate.

## Magnotta hearing in final week

**Daran Lin, father of victim Jun Lin, leaves the court Monday as the preliminary hearing of Luka Rocco Magnotta enters its final week in Montreal. Magnotta sat impassively as a friend of Jun Lin answered questions from Crown and defence lawyers.** RYAN REMIORZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS

**Alysena 28**

## Birth-control pills recalled for fear of extra placebos

The maker of the birth-control pill Alysena 28 has issued an urgent recall after it was discovered that one lot of the contraceptive may have been incorrectly packaged with only two weeks of drug-containing tablets instead of three.

Women taking the incorrectly packaged pill would not receive the proper amount of contraceptive, raising the possibility of an unplanned pregnancy.

In a recall notice distributed by Health Canada, Apotex Inc. said the product's 28-day blister packs should include 21 active birth-control pills plus seven placebo tablets that contain no drug.

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Ireland

## Inquest opens into fatal abortion refusal

The widower of an Indian woman who died in an Irish hospital after being denied an abortion has told a coroner's inquest that a doctor denied her a termination on the grounds that "Ireland is a Catholic country." Praveen Halappanavar made a lengthy statement Monday at the start of an investigation into why his 31-year-old wife, Savita, died at University Galway Hospital last October. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Poland

## Jewish youths honour victims

Thousands of young people from Israel and other countries marched in silence Monday at Auschwitz-Birkenau, the former Nazi death camp in Poland, to pay homage to six million Jews killed during the Holocaust. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Canada remembers Iron Lady

**Dead at 87.** Political patrons and opponents reflect on Britain's polarizing PM Margaret Thatcher

A giant, an inspiration and an Iron Lady who rejuvenated conservative politics: that's how Margaret Thatcher was remembered Monday by Canadian politicians as they weighed in on the death of an influential British leader.

"I think if you look at the sweep of her life, what she did — not just in Britain, but what she did on the world stage — really laid the groundwork for the freedom and the prosperity and opportunity that so many people around the world enjoy today," Prime Minister Stephen Harper told a news conference.

In an earlier written statement, Harper described Thatcher, who died Monday of a stroke at age 87, as having had "that rarest of abilities to herself personify and define the age in which she served."

Liberal Bob Rae, while disowning Thatcher's politics, echoed that sentiment.

"Mrs. Thatcher served as British prime minister for more than a decade and in many ways defined conservative politics of her time," Rae said.

Pierre Trudeau and Margaret Thatcher are shown in Australia in this Oct. 4, 1981, photo. The first female British prime minister, who suffered from dementia in her final years, died of a stroke on Monday. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

While the Conservative leader was the odd woman out on the right in the international scene when she came to power in 1979, she was soon joined by ideological cousins, including Ronald Reagan in Washington and Brian Mulroney in Ottawa.

"Like every great leader, with strong convictions and a bold vision, she made enemies. ... But in a series of visits to Canada she won many friends here," said Mulroney. THE CANADIAN PRESS

### 5 things about Maggie

**1** She wasn't called The Iron Lady for nothing. Shaped by a hard-line political and economic stance, Thatcher shut down national coal mines, slashed social spending, refused to recognize Northern Irish political prisoners and introduced a "poll tax."

**2** Thatcher, when elected in 1979, became Britain's first and so far only female prime minister, and the West's first female head of government. Her political dominance and leadership helped her in three consecutive terms, and inspired women worldwide to break the glass ceiling of male-dominated politics.

**3** With her fondness for the private sector, deregulation and big missiles, Maggie embodied the zeitgeist of the 1980s and she was loved for it. The 1982 Falklands War boosted her popularity, while she and Ronald Reagan formed a power couple in taking down the communist bloc.

**4** The tireless Thatcher famously said while in power she could get by on just four hours a night. She joins the genetically blessed "Sleepless Elite," a band of top historical figures and leaders (Napoleon, Da Vinci, Churchill and Florence Nightingale) who needed five hours or less of shut-eye.

**5** Her sense of style was as powerful as her politics. Sporting a helmet of deep strawberry hair, broad Royal blue skirt suits, and the famous handbag, Thatcher pioneered the "I'm shoulder to shoulder with men" look. MWN

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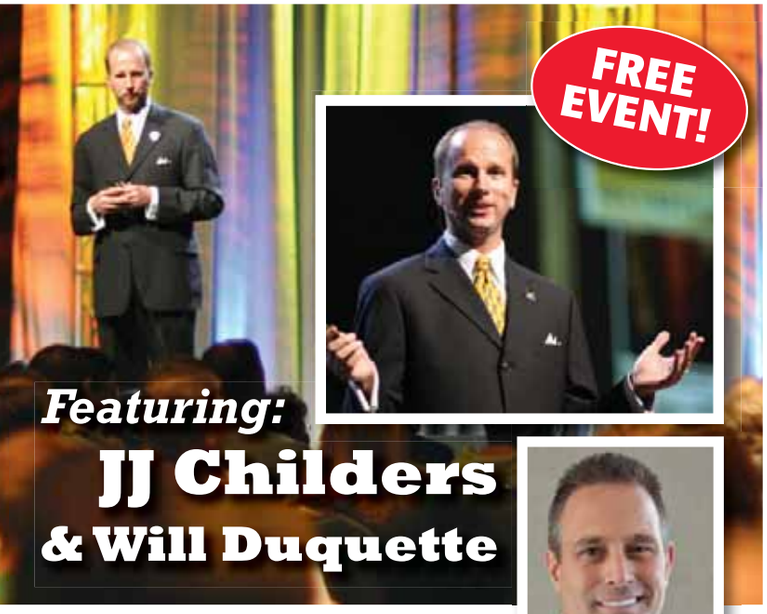


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**DOLLAR** 98.30¢ (-0.09¢)

**TSX** 12,344.56 (+12.71)

**OIL** $93.36 US (+66¢)

**GOLD** $1,572.50 US (-$3.40)

**Natural gas:** $4.09 US (-3¢)
**Dow Jones:** 14,613.48 (+48.23)

**One-day event**

## McDonald's to stage hiring blitz

McDonald's will hire more than 6,000 people on Thursday. Job seekers can apply in person at their local McDonald's, where they may be interviewed on the spot. Those unable to apply in person can submit applications at worksforme.ca. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

**Nuclear accidents**

## Proposed liability limits not enough, Greenpeace says

Newly released government documents suggest Ottawa wants nuclear operators to be on the hook for more than $650 million in damages in case of an accident. But Greenpeace Canada says the documents also suggest Ottawa is talking only to the nuclear industry as it redefines its nuclear liability regime. "We're concerned that the Harper government's cosy relationship with industry is putting the interests of the nuclear lobby above the safety of Canadians," said Shawn-Patrick Stensil of Greenpeace Canada. Greenpeace is urging Canada to move to unlimited liability, arguing taxpayers shouldn't have to foot the bill for industrial activity. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Federal policy enabled RBC outsourcing, expert says

**Foreign workers.** Firms are responding to incentives Ottawa created, lawyer notes

Observers say the controversy over the Royal Bank of Canada's decision to outsource dozens of Toronto jobs is part of an alarming trend bolstered by government policy.

Immigration law expert Audrey Macklin says the government encourages companies to employ temporary foreign workers either directly or indirectly by processing their immigration documents faster and by allowing companies to pay those workers up to 15 per cent less than Canadians.

She says a company like RBC is simply responding to incentives the government has created.

Human Resources minister Diane Finley has said the Temporary Foreign Worker Program is only to fill "acute labour needs" when Canadians aren't available for the work required.

But NDP Leader Tom Mulcair says the Conservative government has done nothing to stop a situation like RBC's, which he says is depriving Canadians of their livelihoods.

RBC has repeatedly said it did not hire foreign workers to take over the job functions of current employees, but said it used the services of outside companies to improve "operational effectiveness."

Many Canadians have expressed outrage and even threatened to close their accounts upon learning that Canada's largest bank had outsourced the jobs of 45 Toronto employees to an external supplier. THE CANADIAN PRESS

**Contractor investigated**

- The federal government is investigating iGate, the contractor being used by RBC to outsource dozens of Toronto jobs.
- A spokeswoman for Human Resources Minister Diane Finley says the investigation is based on discrepancies between public statements by RBC and information previously provided to the government by iGate.
- To obtain permits for temporary foreign workers, companies need to show a Canadian cannot be found to do the work.


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# SNAP, SEND, SEE IT DISAPPEAR

SHE SAYS

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"I'm not using it for sexting!" I exclaimed as I snatched my iPhone back from my friend whose eyebrows were raised disbelievingly. I had just received a slew of notifications from Snapchat and felt the need to defend my decision to download an app known for promiscuous photo exchanges.

If you're not in high school, there's about an 80 per cent chance you've never even heard of Snapchat, so allow me to fill you in. The decidedly simple app allows users to transmit photos and videos that expire after a prescribed amount of time: between one and 10 seconds. Once a message has been viewed, it disappears from the user's phone and Snapchat's own company servers. The free app is a relatively inane form of time-wasting, but it's also strangely addictive.

Creators Evan Spiegel and Bobby Murphy originally designed the app as part of a class project at Stanford University. When presenting their idea, a venture capitalist sitting in on the class told Spiegel that the app could be interesting if he made the photos permanent. The tech-loving wunderkind and his partner ignored this advice and launched the self-destructing messaging service to the public in September 2011.

Available on iPhone and Android devices, the free app currently has more active users than Instagram, but isn't without its critics. Many have dismissed it as a way for bored teenagers to exchange risqué messages without getting caught by their parents. But while it's likely that many are using the service to transmit content of the not-so-clothed variety, it's important to note that the app is gaining traction and developing a substantial user base beyond the horny coed demographic. More than 100 million images and videos are sent through Snapchat every day and the app is generating a lot of buzz — although no actual revenue as of yet.

As we become increasingly obsessed with documenting and cataloguing our lives on social media, I can see the appeal behind a communication tool that operates on impermanence.

While most social-networking platforms are highly self-conscious — requiring users to create their own carefully curated persona to package and present to their friends and fans — Snapchat facilitates a more spontaneous and candid form of communication.

Its growing popularity is a reactionary response to the highly processed and everlasting content on other social media platforms. Not everything we say and do should stick around forever and it's this desire for impermanent forms of expression that Spiegel and Murphy were able to tap into. Despite the opposition, the young developers — who have since received nearly $14 million in venture funding — knew that the disappearing nature of the messaging service would be its ultimate appeal. So even though it might be known for facilitating evidence-free sexting, the app also offers a new way for all of us to avoid being haunted by a "digital trail" and communicate in a more uninhibited manner.

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ZOOM

# Drones used to protect rhinos

ANUPAM NATH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Cameras help spot poachers in Indian national park

Wildlife authorities used drones on Monday for aerial surveillance of a sprawling natural game park in northeastern India to protect the one-horned rhinoceros from armed poachers.

Security officers conducted flights of the unmanned aircraft over the Kaziranga National Park. The drones will be flown at regular intervals to prevent rampant poaching in the park located in the remote Indian state of Assam.

The drones are equipped with cameras and will be monitored by security guards, who find it difficult to guard the 480-square kilometre reserve. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Park has largest number of one-horned rhinos in the world**

- Poachers armed with automatic rifles killed 22 rhinos last year in the park, but have killed 16 rhinos already this year.
- Rhino horn is in great demand in China and Southeast Asia, where it is believed to have medicinal properties.
- In recent weeks, wildlife authorities in Assam have deployed 300 armed guards to protect the rhinos in Kaziranga, but they have been no match for organized gangs of poachers who have been managing to strike at the rhinos with increasing regularity.

# New on RMR: I'm wearing pink to protest bullying

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Tomorrow I will wear pink. Full disclosure: I don't usually wear pink. I'm a black-and-white guy, and even blue jeans are a stretch. That said, I am happy to make the exception if it means stating loud and clear that bullying, discrimination, homophobia and transphobia in schools and communities across Canada must end.

We all know that bullying can be fatal.

We've heard the tragic tales of kids like Jamie Hubley and Amanda Todd, who ended their lives after being subjected to bullying at school. We hate to admit it but we know that there are more kids out there today who are suffering in silence.

The Day of Pink is an important solution to this problem not only because it helps to raise awareness but because of where the idea originally came from.

When students in Nova Scotia saw a younger student being harassed because he was wearing pink, they decided to do something. They took it upon themselves to buy every pink shirt in town and they did it on their own dime. The next day they handed these shirts out at school. Suddenly the bullies who were making this young man's life miserable were surrounded by students in pink. They learned in no uncertain terms that the vast majority of kids were not going to accept their behaviour. Message sent. To me, the kindness, courage, compassion and creativity exhibited by this gesture is what being Canadian is all about.

Those kids stood up for someone who wasn't in a position to stand up for himself. They could not have any idea what they started. This past year, 8.1 million kids around the world wore pink on the International Day of Pink to send the same message. The Day of Pink, like the zipper, is a Canadian success story. Someone should get these kids the Order of Canada.

Kudos to Jer's Vision, an incredible organization of young people, for working so hard to make the Day of Pink an international success story. I'm proud to support them and I look to them for solutions.

They are young, I am not, and they know what's going on in Canadian schools. Thankfully, I don't. I will take their lead. They want me to wear pink? I'm in.

So please, folks, wear pink tomorrow or, at the very least, throw a red sock in your white laundry tonight.

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DVD reviews

## Hyde Park on Hudson

**Director.** Roger Michell

**Stars.** Bill Murray, Laura Linney, Olivia Williams

Bill Murray makes a charming Franklin Delano Roosevelt and Laura Linney a stoic mistress Daisy in Hyde Park on Hudson, a film split between history, gossip and whimsy. But they've both got their work cut out for them with the wafer-thin screenplay, which Richard Nelson adapted from his BBC radio play of the same name. Titled for FDR's upstate New York retreat, where America's longest-serving president took refuge — and rumoured sexual liaisons — as the Second World War threatened, Roger Michell's film struggles for definition as either daffy comedy or insider's view of history. Samuel West and Olivia Colman steal scenes as visiting King George VI and wife Queen Elizabeth (the future Queen Mum), befuddled by hot dogs and emboldened by booze during their 1939 visit with FDR, but The King's Speech 2 this isn't.

Rob Thomas and Kristen Bell are getting to work on the new Veronica Mars movie. GETTY IMAGES

# How to shoot for Mars with $2 million

**Kickstart cred.**
Veronica Mars creator Rob Thomas lets Metro in on some of the details about the upcoming fan-funded film

MICHELLE CASTILLO
Metro World News in New York

Rob Thomas gave Metro World News some details about the upcoming Veronica Mars movie — which is scheduled for release in 2014 — and details about how the project came to be.

**The initial goal of $2 million seems small for a movie. Would it even be possible to make a Veronica Mars film with that budget?**
When Kristen and I went into it, we sort of agreed that we would make the, she called it the "No fancy trailers" budget. She and her husband had just done that movie, Hit and Run, and I think they made it for around $2 million. So that was part of the ethos of it.

**Who is returning (besides Bell and Dohring)? Aren't they a little too old for high school or even college?**
We're in negotiations with the other cast members, and I've spoken to all the other cast members. Absolutely people want to do it, and I'm building it around the 10-year high school reunion, so I'm planning on using the bulk of them but deals still have to be made.

(Kristen) is 28 as we pick up the movie. She has just got out of law school at Columbia and starting to interview for jobs in New York law firms.

**Why do you think fans have responded to Veronica Mars so much?**
The key to achieving the cult status is being able to hang on for a while. The fact that we started on UPN, and we were allowed to survive some not terrific numbers for a while was part of the equation because having done ABC, we'd only have been on for two episodes and we would never have been allowed to grow into a cult status.

Seinfeld started out with an order of six on a death night, and they allowed that to build. It went beyond cult status. I think being somewhere where no one noticed, where you weren't expected to do good numbers or great numbers was key, and I think the character herself, Veronica, was a great fit for UPN.

When I first went in there to have a meeting, they told me the direction they wanted to take the network. They said, "We think we're going to skew young and female, and we're looking for female empowerment shows."

I had written Veronica Mars a year before on spec. I had just written it for myself because it was an idea I was inspired by. I told them, "Well, I have a script in a drawer at home about a very empowered teenage girl."

I taught high school, in particular I taught freshman English. I was the adviser of the yearbook. I hung out with a lot of teenage girls. I had a lot of teenage girls' voices in my head. As a yearbook adviser, that's primarily who you're there after school with on worknights with. I think girls at that age are some of the most self-conscious people on the planet.

One of the things I thought about Veronica Mars is that if she had some superhero power it's that she's beyond self-consciousness — that her life had taken her down such a rocky road, and she'd come out the other side and it was a pretty tough girl. She could say those things that I think teenage girls often wished they could say or (were) bold enough to say in a make no apologies sort of way, and I think that connected with a UPN audience.

**What about your other series Party Down? Will you be trying Kickstarter with that?**
We're down a path with that. We hope that will become a movie as well. We're not going the Kickstarter route. We're writing a script for an independent production company that we really respect. We hope for good news on that in the next year or so.

# METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

## *Jay-Z and Beyoncé in hot water over their Havana nights*

THE WORD
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Jay-Z and Beyoncé Knowles may be in trouble for their lavish fifth wedding anniversary trip to Cuba last week, as it's raising eyebrows with a few Florida politicians, according to Reuters. "Despite the clear prohibition against tourism in Cuba (for U.S. citizens), numerous press reports described the couple's trip as tourism, and the Castro regime touted it as such in its propaganda," Florida Representatives Ileana Ros-Lehtinen and Mara Dias-Balart say in a letter to the director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control. "We represent a community of many who have been deeply and personally harmed by the Castro regime's atrocities, including former political prisoners and families of murdered innocents."

A rep for Jay-Z and Beyoncé was unavailable for comment.

There is no word on how Jay-Z and Beyoncé were allowed to enter the country (travel for American citizens is very strict). My working theory? They are secretly Canadian.

## Fest a 'recipe for disaster' for Lohan: Friend

Lindsay Lohan infamously scheduled her upcoming 90-day rehab stint to start next month so that she can hit up the Coachella music festival starting this weekend, but at least one friend thinks she should skip it.

"I fear for her life if she goes to the festival," Danish promoter Claus Hjelmbak tells Radar Online. "Lindsay is in a very dark place right now, and I'm absolutely scared for her life. Coachella is the last place she needs to be. For someone struggling with addiction, like Lindsay, the amount of drugs and alcohol at Coachella is just a recipe for disaster waiting to happen."

The music festival takes place over two weekends in the desert near Palm Springs, with a packed schedule of famous bands set to perform, including the Red Hot Chili Peppers, Moby and the Airborne Toxic Event.

Twitter

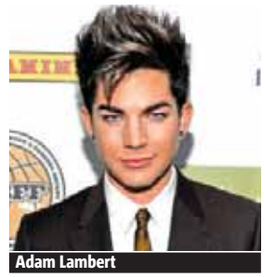
**@ElizabethBanks**
RIP Margaret Thatcher. A role model for women & young girls across the world. Also, my high school Halloween costume.

**@samantharonson**
Regardless of her politics — I grew up believing that I could be anything I wanted to be, even Prime Minister — lucky 4 you all I didn't.

**@pattonoswalt**
"Karen Silkwood, Julia Child, and now Margaret Thatcher. The Streep Curse, man" -- world's dumbest conspiracy theorist

## Lambert splits from Finnish boyfriend

American Idol vet Adam Lambert is single again, having split up with boyfriend and Finnish Big Brother winner Sauli Koskinen, Lambert tells the South Florida Gay News. "It's been kind of on its way out in the last couple of months," Lambert says. "Sauli and I remain really good friends, and I know it's a cliché to say, but it's totally true," he adds.



Adam Lambert

LIFE 3

# How Beyoncé bid bye bye to her baby Blue weight

**Fitness.** Squats, shakes and nerves of steel — we look back on how the bootylicious singer got back into shape after giving birth to her daughter

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We find out how she was sure to squeeze into her (super tight) stage clothes so quickly.

## Pack it on, get it off

Beyoncé gained a total of 57 pounds throughout her pregnancy.

But with her first show scheduled just three short months after having her baby, she had to lose it all — and fast.

At the time, she was quoted as saying, "I'm definitely softer, but I feel my body bouncing back."

It did.

And it probably wasn't much fun.

"Y'all have no idea how hard I worked! I had to lose 60 pounds. They had me on that treadmill. I ate lettuce!" she confessed to her fans.

But her trainer, Marco Borges, explained how her slimmed-down frame was simply the result of proper nutrition, regular workouts and breastfeeding.

Beyoncé got back to her fighting weight for the upcoming world tour and her return to the world's stage. GETTY IMAGES

One year on, she's maintained a stable weight.

## Proper nutrition — eat lean, eat green and stick to your plan

After initially shedding the extra pounds by sticking to a diet of vegetables, fruit, nuts, seeds, grains and clean proteins, Life & Style reported that in order to make sure the weight didn't creep back on, Beyoncé has one vegan meal a day.

The eating plan was recommended by Borges, who believes that a meat and dairy-free meal is a great way to get, "people to eat more greens than they normally would."

And whenever she craves a crunchy snack, she ditches the chips and reaches out for something healthy like edamame beans, green apples or cucumbers sprinkled with vinegar, cayenne pepper and lemon.

## Fierce discipline, explosive workouts

Fitting into tiny corsets and exposing your thighs in fishnet tights is a struggle for most women.

Yes, even Beyoncé. Opening up to Shape Magazine just weeks before the start of her world tour, the singer revealed how difficult keeping in shape can be.

"I'm not a person that is naturally very thin. I am a person that has to work at keeping my body in shape," she said.

But how does she manage to do that?

It's thanks to her drive, determination and dedication, Borges said, also to Shape.

"We do a combination of cardio, calisthenics, resistance exercises and yoga. Whether she's doing lunges, plies, reverse lunges or squats, she does 100 repetitions. When you do those sets, it is really an extension of your cardio, so you can sculpt muscles while building endurance. Beyoncé is really hardcore. She trains for 60 to 90 minutes, four to five days a week."

She sweat and she ate lettuce. But never once did she give up her boobs, her hips or her bum in favour of skin and bone.

She's a healthy, happy working mama.

**Quote**

**"I'm not a person that is naturally very thin. I am a person that has to work at keeping my body in shape"**

**Beyoncé**
Talking about how she got back into shape.

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# Staying safe on your bicycle commute to work this spring

**Tips.** If your wheels aren't on the subway or a city bus, make sure you're riding the right way while enjoying the sunshine

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Get geared up to return your bike to the road. ISTOCK PHOTOS

With spring officially upon us, legions of urban commuters are beginning to shed their quilted coats and search for excuses to spend more time outside.

Commuting by bicycle can be a great way to savour the sunshine and jump-start your fitness routine while being eco-friendly.

Inexperienced city cyclists might feel intimidated by busy streets and speedy drivers at first, but it is easy to gain confidence quickly while navigating a city on two wheels. After more than a decade of riding and working with bicycles in Tampa and New York City, bike mechanic Max Boyajian is familiar with the challenges cyclists face in crowded areas. He shared a few tips for starting out as a bike commuter.

**Fill 'er up**

If a bike hasn't been used through the winter, the tires will need to be refilled. If you don't own your own pump, almost every bike shop has free air available for passing cyclists.

**Keep calm**

Even if they are following the rules of the road, city cyclists are bound to get honked at by irritated drivers. Don't let it rattle you, and don't provoke drivers unnecessarily. "You've got to learn how to be honked at," Boyajian says.

**Plan for the weather**

Waterproof outerwear can protect you from rain. Keep your clothes professional-looking by installing fenders onto your wheels. "They might look dumb, but they're better than a strip of mud across your back," Boyajian says.

**A right to ride**

**Be careful passing parked cars.**

- **Rules of the road.** Drivers might not check for bikes after they park, meaning they could open their doors into an oncoming cyclist. Cyclists have the right to ride in the centre of a lane.

**Best Health**

## *Can your eyes get sunburned?*

BEST HEALTH MINUTE
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Sunglasses: no longer just a fashion accessory. ISTOCK PHOTOS

Yes. While on assignment in Portugal, CNN's Anderson Cooper famously sunburned his eyeballs.

He described the experience: "I wake up in the middle of the night and it feels like my eyes are on fire — my eyeballs! — and I think, oh, maybe I have sand in my eyes or something."

Yes, it can happen, and at any time of year. Our content editor, Melissa Greer, interviewed Dr. Cheryl Zimmer of the Canadian Association of Optometrists.

"The front clear surface of the eye, called the cornea, is composed of tissue similar to the skin. It's very susceptible to the elements — wind and sun, in particular," Zimmer said.

The resulting keratitis can cause blurry vision and very sore eyes, and can take 24 to 72 hours to heal.

Squinting may protect your eyes but it can lead to headaches and eye strain, so the best protection is a pair of sunglasses, says Zimmer. She suggests a pair that blocks both UVA and UVB rays. According to Health Canada's website, manufacturers follow voluntary industry standards when labelling sunglasses.

Those labelled general purpose block 60 to 92 per cent of visible light and UVA rays, and between 95 and 99 per cent of UVB rays.

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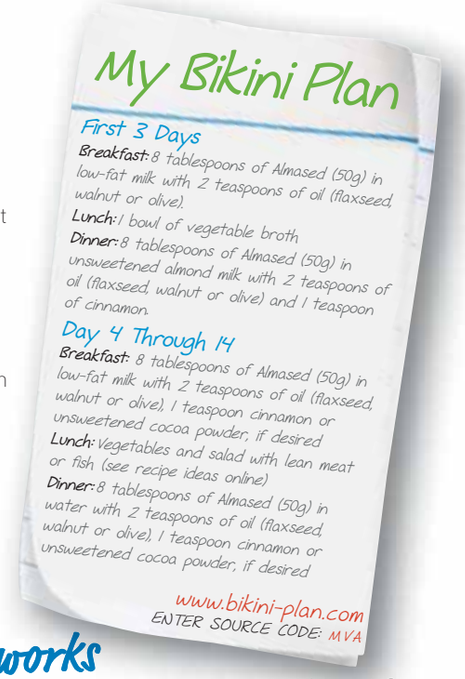
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# Roasted peppers, pine nuts, goat cheese make tasty trio

This recipes serves six. LORELLA VANETTI, FROM ROSE REISMAN'S COMPLETE LIGHT KITCHEN (WHITECAP BOOKS)

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I can never make enough of this simple salad.

In restaurants, roasted peppers are often marinated in oil, which adds calories and fat. Here I use only one tablespoon of olive oil — and the results are outstanding.

Red, yellow, and orange bell peppers contain an abundance of beta carotene and antioxidants, which help in the fight against cancer.

**Nutritional info**

**Per serving: 88 calories; 2.7 g protein; 4.9 g fat; 1.3 g saturated fat; 8.3 carbohydrates; 20 mg sodium; 2.2 mg cholesterol; 2.5 fibre**

**Ingredients**

- 6 bell peppers of various colours, roasted
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tsp balsamic vinegar
- 1/4 cup crumbled goat cheese
- 3 tbsp chopped fresh basil or parsley
- 2 tbsp pine nuts, toasted

**1.** Slice roasted peppers in thick slices; arrange on platter.

**2.** Whisk oil and vinegar together in small bowl. Drizzle mixture over peppers.

**3.** Sprinkle peppers with crumbled goat cheese, basil (or fresh parley) and toasted pine nuts.

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## Rhubarb rights and wrongs

NUTRI-BITES
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Rosy red is the colour of spring; pick rhubarb while the cardinals sing.

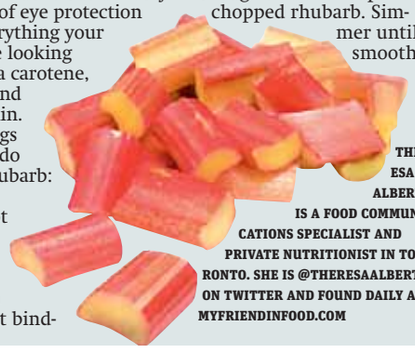
Rhubarb is a wild vegetable that we treat culinarily as a fruit.

Not only is it loaded with B vitamins, if you go for the redder the stalks, there is more skin saving Vitamin A in your pie. To boot, this delicious delivery system of eye protection has everything your eyes are looking for: beta carotene, lutein and zeaxathin.

Things NOT to do with rhubarb:

- Do not eat the leaves. They contain nutrient binding oxalic acid as well as poisonous glycosides.
- Do not ruin the low cal benefits by cooking with too much sugar; keep it tart.
- Do not store raw stalks at room temperature. Either store in fridge in plastic or chop and freeze immediately.

Here is the best cooking method to make a spread or pancake topping: Bring 1/4 cup orange juice to a boil; add 2 tablespoons of maple syrup, 1 tablespoon of sugar. Add 1.5 cups chopped rhubarb. Simmer until smooth.



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# Are healthy couples happier couples? Create a routine with your partner

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Getting in shape isn't always easy, but it helps when you have constant motivation from your partner.

"My boyfriend was a huge help in terms of introducing me to a fit lifestyle and keeping me motivated," says Bianca Del Bois of Burlington, Ont., who used to live an unhealthy lifestyle but is now a healthy fitness guru.

For most couples, it really helps if both parties are into a healthier lifestyle. "We do the same routines together, jog together and do some creative outdoor workouts," says Del Bois. Working out with your partner can be fun, but are healthier couples really happier couples?

"Without sounding biased, yes!" says Del Bois. "I've never been happier or healthier in a relationship before. We really motivate each other to reach our full potential."

Now training to compete for two bikini competitions in May and June, Del Bois is always changing her diet and workout to keep it fresh.

It sounds easy but it has been hard work.

She finds that the improvements in her lifestyle have made this all worth it. "Physically I've increased stamina during cardio sessions, much more muscle definition and toning and an overall healthy appearance," says Del Bois.

Now people are so amazed by her hard work transformation that they go to her for help to achieve their fitness goals, so what advice does she have for us?

"The first steps to getting in shape would be to adjust your eating habits and just start with 30 to 45 minutes of physical activity a day, whether it's cardio, weight training, or even a Zumba class."

She also showcases her hard work, healthy recipes, and gives advice on her Facebook page, YouTube channel, and blog.

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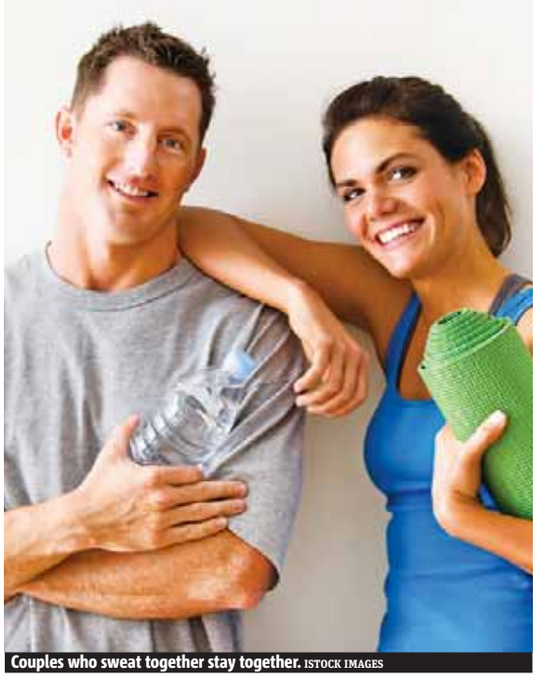

Couples who sweat together stay together. ISTOCK IMAGES

Survey says

## U.S. women now twice as likely to live with a guy before marriage

Nearly half of young U.S. women say the first time they lived with a guy, they weren't married.

That's the finding of a government survey released Thursday.

The results are a marked change from 1995, when only 34 per cent said they moved in together. Now it's 48 per cent. Back then, 39 per cent said they married first, compared to 23 now.

Experts say the numbers show living together is increasingly used as a testing ground for marriage. About 40 per cent of the women who lived with a guy went on to marry him within three years.

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Owning company shares can show as extra income on your T5. ISTOCK IMAGES

# Nasty T5 slip surprise?

YOUR MONEY
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A reader who owned 200 Kraft Foods shares received a nasty surprise when a T5 slip arrived showing nearly $3,000 in U.S. dividend income.

Kraft Foods Group split into Kraft Foods and Mondelez International in October, 2012. Every 100 shares of Kraft turned into 100 of Mondelez and roughly 33 of Kraft. The Kraft shares are deemed to be a foreign dividend by the Canada Revenue Agency and taxed as ordinary income.

If you are in this situation, don't panic about suddenly having more income than expected.

"An election can be made under Section 86.1 of the Income Tax Act to exclude the deemed dividend from income," notes Winnipeg-based tax expert and author, Evelyn Jacks. "This election must be made in writing and sent to CRA.

"Indicate the number and cost base for the original Kraft Foods Inc. shares; and the shares received as a result of the spin-off. If you make the election to exclude the dividends, then the cost base of the post spin-off shares is based on the cost base of the original Kraft Foods Inc. shares. The cost base is allocated between the new shares according to the fair market value immediately after the spin-off." (Sign up for Jacks' free tax newsletter knowledgebureau.com)

So far so good, but now we must establish a cost base for the shares to report when and if they are sold.

Jacks comes to the rescue with a little math. Let's say the shares were purchased for $20, $4,000 in total for this reader. This is called the Average Cost Base, ACB. The Mondelez shares were trading at $28 and the Kraft shares at $45.42 per share, post spin-off. Therefore the 200 Mondelez shares were worth $5,600 and the 66 Kraft Foods Group shares came to $2,997.72 US.

Take that $4,000 ACB and allocate it like this:

Mondelez: $4,000 x $5,600 divided by ($5,600+$2,997.72) = $2,605.34

Kraft: $4,000 x $2,997.34 divided by ($5,600+$2,997.72) = $1,394.48.

Those are the new ACBs for the shares. If you sell half the Mondelez and half the Kraft in the future, adjust the cost base accordingly to report the capital gain or loss on your taxes. Stick the formula, and a few notes, in your investment file so you can reconstruct what you've done down the road. Now go take a headache remedy.

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# Biz. Five warning signs of card payment fraud

As more Canadian businesses begin to offer online shopping and online and mobile sales continue to grow, security experts point out that a few bad apples are also using the popularity of online shopping to scam merchants with stolen payment card information.

"The good news is business owners and their employees can play a crucial role in the fight against fraud and they already have the tools to recognize and stop online, mobile or phone purchases carried out with stolen card data," says Gord Jamieson, head of security for Visa Canada.

Jamieson notes that business owners can be at risk when a payment card is not physically present.

To help identify this type of fraud before it occurs, he recommends merchants watch for the following five warning signs when carrying out transactions without the payment card:

- **Multiple purchases made with different cards, shipped to a single address**

This can indicate a batch of stolen payment card account numbers.

- **Multiple high value transactions made on the same card over a very short period of time**

This can indicate an attempt to "run the card" until the account is closed.

- **Multiple purchases made on a card with a single billing address, shipped to many different addresses**

This may indicate organized criminal activity.

- **Online transactions with multiple cards but a single IP address**

This may indicate a batch of stolen cards being run from the same computer.

- **Multiple transactions in close succession with very similar account numbers**

This may indicate account numbers that have been generated using illegal software.

According to Jamieson, merchants or employees who come across any of these warning signs should request additional information from the cardholder.

"There are many tools available to help merchants avoid fraud, like the address verification service, the "three digit code" and a service called Verified by Visa," Jamieson said. He also recommends reporting the suspicious activity to their payment service provider as soon as possible.

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## Teibert learning value of patience with Whitecaps

Patience is a virtue that 20-year-old Russell Teibert has come to accept and embrace.

Teibert, a centre midfielder with the Vancouver Whitecaps, made his first start of the season — and first since Sept. 1 of last season — on Saturday, playing 68 minutes before getting subbed out of the game for Gershon Koffie in what amounted to a 1-1 draw against the San Jose Earthquakes.

Now in his third season with the Whitecaps in MLS, Teibert, who was born in Niagara Falls, Ont., has appeared in only 16 games, with seven starts over that time.

He was pencilled in to the starting 11 following back-to-back losses on the road for the Vancouver side.

"It's a lot about just being patient," Teibert said, "and trusting the organization and trusting the coaching staff."

Teibert has had to undergo a transformation in his game over the past couple of seasons. This, especially, is where patience becomes so important.

Once a winger, he's been converted into a centre midfielder.

"I've been given a program of things I need to do and I've had to reinvent myself as a player," Teibert said. "So it's just about taking that time and working on the things that I need to do to get back in the lineup.

"There's a lot of different aspects to the game that you need to focus on. Little things would just be long balls, tackling and just awareness around the field.

"But football is football. If you have that football sense, you can play anywhere on the field."

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Whitecaps centre midfielder Russell Teibert GETTY IMAGES

Vancouver Canucks forward Ryan Kesler scores against Phoenix Coyotes goaltender Mike Smith at Rogers Arena on Monday night. After a 19-game absence due to injury, Kesler returned and contributed the game-winning goal. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Canucks blank 'Yotes in Kesler's return

**NHL.** After 19-game absence, centre nets the game-winner

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**On Monday**

| Canucks | Coyotes |
|---|---|
| 2 | 0 |

It didn't take long for Ryan Kesler to make an impact.

Playing for the first time since Feb. 26, when a CT scan revealed he had a fractured foot, Kesler scored just seven minutes and 26 seconds into his return, and the Vancouver Canucks skated to a 2-0 win over the Phoenix Coyotes at Rogers Arena.

Monday marked Kesler's second return from injured reserve this year. When the lockout ended, Kesler was still in the final stages of recovering from off-season shoulder and wrist surgeries, which forced him to miss the first 12 games of the season.

Again, he proved his value in the lineup.

He nearly scored on his first shift, picking up a loose puck in the neutral zone and, full speed ahead, firing a shot to the blocker side of Coyotes goalie Mike Smith that just missed.

He was rewarded with a goal a few minutes later. And it was an odd one.

Kesler somehow snuck a loose puck past Smith, after a series of events that included Zack Kassian holding on for what seemed like forever on a 4-on-1 rush, then finding a trailing Kevin Bieksa, who whiffed on his shot. Despite Bieksa's fan, the puck found its way to Kesler and he scored his second of the season after a 19-game absence.

Cory Schneider, making his 11th consecutive start in goal, made 19 saves. He now has nine wins in his last 11 games and four shutouts.

The win, combined with a night off for the Minnesota Wild, gives the Canucks a four-point lead over the Wild in the battle for the Northwest Division.

## NCAA. Louisville fights back to win championship

Rick Pitino capped the greatest week of his life with the prize he wanted most of all.

Luke Hancock produced another huge game off the bench, scoring 22 points, and Pitino became the first coach to win national titles at two schools when relentless Louisville rallied from another 12-point deficit to beat Michigan 82-76 in the NCAA championship game Monday night.

This title came on the same day Pitino was announced as a member of the latest Hall of Fame class, a couple of days after his horse won a big race on the way to the Kentucky Derby, and a few more days after his son got the head coaching job at Minnesota.

The Cardinals (35-5) lived up to their billing as the top overall seed in the tournament, though they sure had to work for it.

Louisville trailed Wichita State by a dozen in the second half of the national semifinals, before rallying for a 72-68 victory. This time, they fell behind by 12 in the first half, though a stunning spurt at the end of the period wiped out the entire deficit.

For that, they can thank Hancock, named the most outstanding player. He came off the bench to hit four straight 3-pointers after Michigan got a boost from an even more unlikely player, freshman Spike Albrecht. He, too, made four straight from beyond the arc, blowing by his career high before the break with 17 points. Coming in, Albrecht was averaging 1.8 points a game and had not scored more than seven all season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Louisville's Chane Behanan and head coach Rick Pitino celebrate winning the national championship on Monday night. GETTY IMAGES

4 SPORTS

# Chinese teenager Guan to get pro tutorial at Masters

**Golf.** 14-year-old turns heads upon historic arrival at Augusta

Guan Tianlang is in good company this week at Augusta National.

He played a practice round Monday with two-time Masters champion Ben Crenshaw, then headed out in the afternoon with Tiger Woods. He has a game lined up Tuesday with Tom Watson, an eight-time major champion. On Wednesday, he plans to play with Nick Faldo, winner of six majors.

Can't he play with someone his own age?

Not at this Masters.

Guan is the 14-year-old from China, the youngest ever to play in the Masters and the youngest at any major in 148 years. He qualified by winning the Asia Pacific Amateur Championship last fall in Thailand, and now gets a crack at the best in the game on one of the most famous courses in the world.

Nerves? So far, only a big smile.

"I'm really excited in the morning when I come out on the course and there's many people here," Guan said Monday, conducting his news conference in English with a Chinese translator at his side in case he needed help. He rarely did.

The kid has shown to be special in many ways.

He went wire-to-wire in the Asia Pacific amateur, and he wasn't even rattled as he calmly rapped in a five-foot par putt for the one-shot win on the final hole.

Even so, this is the Masters.

Guan is 14, the only player in the field who brought his eighth-grade homework with him to Augusta National.

"I knew he was young," Steve Stricker said Monday. "I didn't know he was the same age as my daughter.... I just can't imagine being that young and competing at this level at such an early age. It will be interesting." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Quoted**

**"It's frightening to think that he was born after I won my first Masters."**

**Tiger Woods** when asked about 14-year-old Guan Tianlang at Bay Hill two weeks ago.

Tiger Woods chats with 14-year-old amateur Guan Tianlang on Monday during practice before the Masters in Augusta, Ga. DARRON CUMMINGS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## NBA

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| z-Miami | 60 | 16 | .789 | — |
| x-New York | 50 | 26 | .658 | 10 |
| y-Indiana | 48 | 29 | .623 | 12½ |
| x-Brooklyn | 44 | 32 | .579 | 16 |
| x-Chicago | 42 | 34 | .553 | 18 |
| x-Atlanta | 42 | 36 | .538 | 19 |
| x-Boston | 40 | 37 | .519 | 20½ |
| x-Milwaukee | 37 | 39 | .487 | 23 |
| Philadelphia | 31 | 45 | .408 | 29 |
| Toronto | 29 | 48 | .377 | 31½ |
| Washington | 29 | 48 | .377 | 31½ |
| Detroit | 26 | 52 | .333 | 35 |
| Cleveland | 24 | 52 | .316 | 36 |
| Orlando | 19 | 59 | .244 | 42 |
| Charlotte | 18 | 59 | .234 | 42½ |

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
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| y-San Antonio | 57 | 20 | .740 | — |
| x-Oklahoma City | 56 | 21 | .727 | 1 |
| x-Denver | 53 | 24 | .688 | 4 |
| y-L.A. Clippers | 51 | 26 | .662 | 6 |
| x-Memphis | 52 | 25 | .675 | 5 |
| Golden State | 44 | 33 | .571 | 13 |
| Houston | 43 | 34 | .558 | 14 |
| Utah | 41 | 37 | .526 | 16½ |
| L.A. Lakers | 40 | 37 | .519 | 17 |
| Dallas | 38 | 39 | .494 | 19 |
| Portland | 33 | 44 | .429 | 24 |
| Minnesota | 29 | 47 | .382 | 27½ |
| New Orleans | 27 | 50 | .351 | 30 |
| Sacramento | 27 | 50 | .351 | 30 |
| Phoenix | 23 | 54 | .299 | 34 |

x — clinched playoff berth; z — clinched conference.

**Tuesday's games**

**All Times Eastern**

Cleveland at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Washington at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Brooklyn, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Phoenix at Houston, 8 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Utah, 9 p.m.
New Orleans at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

## BASKETBALL

### NCAA

### NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

**Monday's result**

Louisville 82 Michigan 76

## NHL

### EASTERN CONFERENCE

| | GP | W | L | OTL | SL | GF | GA | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| d-Pittsburgh | 39 | 29 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 127 | 95 | 58 |
| d-Montreal | 38 | 25 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 120 | 91 | 55 |
| d-Washington | 39 | 20 | 17 | 2 | 0 | 117 | 110 | 42 |
| Boston | 38 | 25 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 108 | 81 | 54 |
| Toronto | 39 | 22 | 13 | 0 | 4 | 121 | 109 | 48 |
| Ottawa | 38 | 19 | 13 | 2 | 4 | 94 | 85 | 44 |
| NY Rangers | 39 | 19 | 16 | 0 | 4 | 96 | 94 | 42 |
| NY Islanders | 39 | 19 | 16 | 3 | 1 | 113 | 119 | 42 |
| New Jersey | 39 | 15 | 14 | 3 | 7 | 92 | 106 | 40 |
| Winnipeg | 40 | 19 | 19 | 0 | 2 | 98 | 120 | 40 |
| Buffalo | 39 | 16 | 17 | 2 | 4 | 105 | 118 | 38 |
| Philadelphia | 38 | 17 | 18 | 1 | 2 | 106 | 118 | 37 |
| Carolina | 38 | 16 | 20 | 1 | 1 | 99 | 121 | 34 |
| Tampa Bay | 38 | 16 | 20 | 0 | 2 | 121 | 114 | 34 |
| Florida | 39 | 13 | 20 | 5 | 1 | 96 | 132 | 32 |

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

| | GP | W | L | OTL | SL | GF | GA | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| d-Chicago | 38 | 29 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 128 | 83 | 62 |
| d-Anaheim | 39 | 26 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 121 | 98 | 57 |
| d-Vancouver | 38 | 21 | 11 | 1 | 5 | 103 | 95 | 48 |
| Los Angeles | 39 | 22 | 13 | 1 | 3 | 114 | 96 | 48 |
| San Jose | 38 | 20 | 11 | 3 | 4 | 98 | 94 | 47 |
| Minnesota | 38 | 22 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 103 | 97 | 46 |
| St. Louis | 37 | 21 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 106 | 98 | 44 |
| Detroit | 39 | 19 | 15 | 3 | 2 | 99 | 101 | 43 |
| Phoenix | 38 | 17 | 15 | 2 | 4 | 105 | 104 | 40 |
| Dallas | 38 | 18 | 17 | 2 | 1 | 104 | 117 | 39 |
| Edmonton | 38 | 16 | 15 | 4 | 3 | 100 | 106 | 39 |
| Columbus | 39 | 16 | 16 | 3 | 4 | 91 | 104 | 39 |
| Nashville | 40 | 15 | 17 | 2 | 6 | 96 | 109 | 38 |
| Calgary | 38 | 14 | 20 | 1 | 3 | 102 | 134 | 32 |
| Colorado | 39 | 12 | 22 | 4 | 1 | 90 | 124 | 29 |

**Monday's results**

Boston 6 Carolina 2
Toronto 4 NY Rangers 3
Calgary 3 Colorado 1
Phoenix at Vancouver
Edmonton at Anaheim

**Tuesday's games**

**All Times Eastern**

Pittsburgh at Carolina, 7 p.m.
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Washington at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Ottawa at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Buffalo at Winnipeg, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
St. Louis at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Los Angeles at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

## MLB

### AMERICAN LEAGUE

**EAST DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Boston | 5 | 2 | .714 | — |
| Baltimore | 3 | 4 | .429 | 2 |
| New York | 3 | 4 | .429 | 2 |
| Tampa Bay | 3 | 4 | .429 | 2 |
| Toronto | 2 | 4 | .333 | 2½ |

**CENTRAL DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Chicago | 4 | 2 | .667 | — |
| Kansas City | 4 | 3 | .571 | ½ |
| Minnesota | 4 | 3 | .571 | ½ |
| Detroit | 3 | 3 | .500 | 1 |
| Cleveland | 3 | 4 | .429 | 1½ |

**WEST DIVISION**

| | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Oakland | 5 | 2 | .714 | — |
| Texas | 5 | 2 | .714 | — |
| Seattle | 3 | 4 | .429 | 2 |
| Los Angeles | 2 | 4 | .333 | 2½ |
| Houston | 1 | 5 | .167 | 3½ |

**Monday's results**

Boston 3 Baltimore 1
N.Y. Yankees 11 Cleveland 6
Kansas City 3 Minnesota 1
Texas 5 Tampa Bay 4
Houston at Seattle

**TUESDAY'S GAMES — All Times Eastern**

Toronto (Morrow 0-0) at Detroit (Sanchez 0-0), 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 1-0) at Cleveland (Carrasco 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Hernandez 0-1) at Texas (Tepesch 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Pelfrey 1-0) at Kansas City (Guthrie 1-0), 8:10 p.m.
Oakland (Parker 0-1) at L.A. Angels (Wilson 0-0), 10:05 p.m.
Houston (Bedard 0-0) at Seattle (Maurer 0-1), 10:10 p.m.

### NATIONAL LEAGUE

**Monday's results**

Milwaukee 7 Chicago Cubs 4
Cincinnati 13 St. Louis 4
N.Y. Mets 7 Philadelphia 2
Atlanta 2 Miami 0
Pittsburgh at Arizona
Colorado at San Francisco.

## Horoscopes

### ♈ Aries
**March 21 - April 20**
Your mind is full of brilliant ideas. What are you going to do with them? Don't just let them sit there doing nothing. Good ideas are like fertilizer, they need to be spread around so they can help people grow.

### ♉ Taurus
**April 21 - May 21**
A new opportunity is about to come your way. Make sure you use it wisely. Yes, you will have to adapt to events that don't feel natural to you, but the effort will be worth it.

### ♊ Gemini
**May 22 - June 21**
Someone will try to get you to tone down your opinions a bit today — and you must have none of it. The world needs to hear what you have to say.

### ♋ Cancer
**June 22 - July 23**
You need to act tough today, even if you don't feel tough. Give employers and other important people an image of you that is strong and self-assured, even if that is far from what you actually feel.

### ♌ Leo
**July 24 - Aug. 23**
This is a wonderful time for you, a time of exciting adventures and encounters. You certainly won't have any reason to complain that you are bored over the next 24 hours. If anything, there will be too much going on.

### ♍ Virgo
**Aug. 24 - Sept. 23**
You have so many options that it may get a bit too confusing. What happens over the next two or three days will nudge you in the right direction. Any choice is a good choice.

### ♎ Libra
**Sept. 24 - Oct. 23**
From the look of your solar chart, it would appear that someone is hoping you will say or do something they don't have the guts to say or do themselves. You don't mind.

### ♏ Scorpio
**Oct. 24 - Nov. 22**
Don't stop to question why you are following a certain course of action. The fact that you have begun means you need to go all the way, regardless of whether your initial choice was right or wrong. Just do it.

### ♐ Sagittarius
**Nov. 23 - Dec. 21**
You are proud of your openness to new ideas but one idea you encounter today may be a bit too much for you. Does it make you feel uncomfortable that an unpleasant belief may be true?

### ♑ Capricorn
**Dec. 22 - Jan. 20**
It seems you have something to say that is likely to hurt the feelings of more sensitive sorts. Say it anyway because someone has to tell the truth.

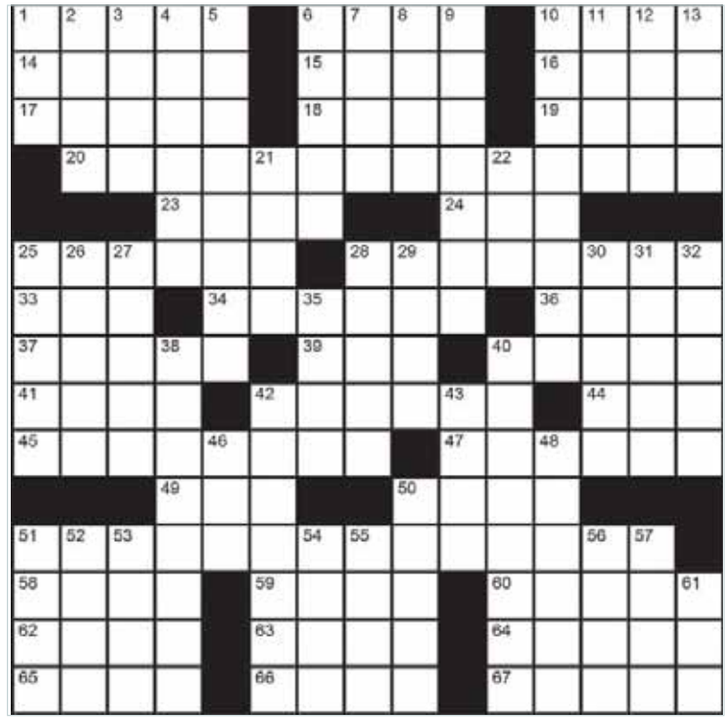
### ♒ Aquarius
**Jan. 21 - Feb. 19**
Spend time with friends today because they can help you get past the negative thoughts you've been having of late. You've done so much for them that they will jump at the chance to repay your kindness.

### ♓ Pisces
**Feb. 20 - March 20**
What happens today will make it clear where you stand with certain people and why your association is unlikely to last. Not all relationships stand the test of time. Move on to better things. **SALLY BROMPTON**

## Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

**BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN**



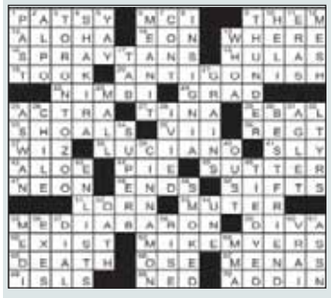
**Across**

1. Cable news channel
6. Cutting remark
10. Gladiator's 451
14. Standoffish
15. Wing-shaped
16. Iron, and others
17. 1994 gold medal figure skater, Oksana __
18. Not wild
19. Kind of lily
20. Its slogan is 'Let's get moving.'
23. Belgium neighbour, for short
24. Anonymous surname
25. __ corpus
28. Canadian show Tracy Moore hosts
33. Ms. Gardner
34. Money, informally
36. Top-__ washer
37. Court garbs
39. Hit the jackpot
40. Singer Ms. Braxton's
41. Classic record label
42. Livestock food
44. 'Select' suffix
45. Ancient strong guy
47. Mimer Mr. Marceau
49. "__ questions?"
50. Flintstones pet
51. Canadian-invented board game: 2 wds.
58. Mystique
59. Hot Heat __": 2 wds.
60. Becomes threadbare
62. Make a scarf
63. Above
64. "Stand By Me" by Ben _. __
65. 'Fin' finisher
66. Longbow woods
67. Was introduced to again, say

**Down**

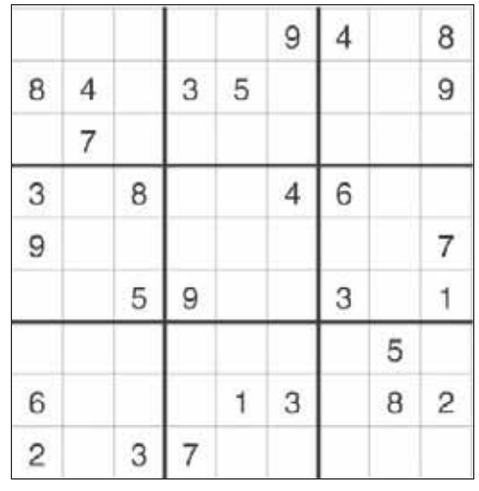
1. Fairy queen in literature
2. __ on some paint
3. 'Para' suffix ("I'm being watched!" feeling)
4. Matt Damon flick, "The __ Supremacy" (2004)
5. Ti-Cats, Stamps and Bombers: 2 wds.
6. Collection of stuff
7. Jai __
8. Incline
9. Scope
10. Diana Krall's musician hubby, Elvis __
11. Three: German
12. Toy building block
13. Glenn Frey's "The
21. "Don't make __ complicated.": 2 wds.
22. Not forthright
25. Severe
26. "Let's take _ __."
27. Jean de Brunhoff's elephant
28. Lummoxes
29. "..._ __ my Annabel Lee..." - Edgar Allan Poe
30. Ancient Greece column style
31. Gullible
32. Car named after Henry Ford's son
35. "_ __ is me." (Sniff, sniff)
38. Dig up
40. Catch a connecting bus
42. "...only __ __ / I don't know where my soul is..." - Nelly Furtado
43. Title in Turkey
46. Prefix to 'form' (Soldier's suit)
48. Mickey of movies
50. Garbage spots
51. Accept
52. Bits of vocal acrobatics
53. Van Gogh flower
54. Tardy
55. Ship's front
56. "_ __ to please!"
57. England's Newcastle-upon-__
61. Beatles' Pepper, e.g.

### Yesterday's Crossword



## Sudoku

**How to play**
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.



### Yesterday's Sudoku

Today
12°/8°
Showers
80%

Wednesday
11°/8°
Rain
80%

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|---|---|
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| 1889 10¢ | $350.00 and up |
| 1921 5¢ | $4,000.00 and up |
| 1923 1¢ | $14.00 and up |

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| | |
|---|---|
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